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This epic address was delivered to the assembled Cadets of The United States Military Academy at West Point on 12 May 1962. General MacArthur had come to The Point to accept the Sylvanus Thayer Award for service to his country.

That service is unparalleled in American military history. So great were the deeds of this man in the Autumn of his career that his earlier accomplishments may be overlooked by the casual observer.

From the time he was graduated from The Point with the highest scholastic average ever earned by a cadet, until his retirement, Douglas MacArthur distinguished himself in every phase of a devoted career in which he soldiered under eight United States Presidents.

In the trenches, leading the famed Rainbow Division of

World War I, he was seven times awarded the Silver Star Medal by General Pershing. And what authentic American could ever forget his "I shall return" promise of World War II, dramatically delivered and reverently kept?

As one listens to this address, noting its eloquence, its classic form, its wisdom, and the hallowed hush of the Cadet audience, it is difficult to conceive that the General spoke without prepared text, without even so much as notes to guide him.

This record is a faithful reproduction of the actual speech. You hear it exactly as it was heard by those who were present. It is a message whose evaluations, definitive historical observations and gentle admonitions will echo down the long corridor of Time as long as there are free men.

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